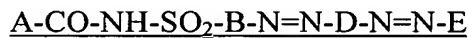


Amendments to the Claims:

The following claims will replace all prior versions of the claims in this application (in the unlikely event that no claims follow herein, the previously pending claims will remain):

1. (Currently amended) A compound of Formula (1) or salt thereof, comprising a disazo ~~chromaphore~~ chromophore and an optionally substituted acyl group linked together through a -SO₂-NH- group:



Formula (1)

wherein:

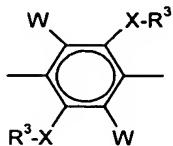
A is an optionally substituted alkyl or aryl group;

B and D are each independently optionally substituted phenylene or naphthylene; and

E is optionally substituted naphthylene.

2. (Cancelled).
3. (Cancelled).
4. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein A is optionally substituted C₁₋₄-alkyl or optionally substituted phenyl.
5. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein B is optionally substituted phenylene.
6. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein B is optionally substituted 1,4-phenylene.
7. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein D is optionally substituted 1,4-phenylene.

8. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein D is of the formula:



wherein each:

W independently is H, C₁₋₄-alkyl, alkoxy, polyalkylene oxide, nitro, cyano, amino, sulpho, halo, ureido, SO₂F, PO₄H₂, hydroxy, carboxy, ester, -NR¹R², -COR¹, -CONR¹R² or -SO₂NR¹R², wherein R¹ and R² are each independently H or alkyl;

X independently is O, NH or S;

R³ independently is H or optionally substituted alkyl or optionally substituted aryl.

9. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein D is naphthylene carrying one or more groups selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, sulpho and carboxy.

10. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein E is naphthylene carrying one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, sulpho and carboxy.

11. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 3 1 wherein E is a 1-hydroxy-3-sulphonaphth-2-ylene group carrying an optionally substituted amino group at the 7-position; or a 1-hydroxy-5-sulphonaphth-2-ylene group carrying an optionally substituted amino group at the 8-position; or a 1-hydroxy-3,6-disulphonaphth-2-ylene group carrying an optionally substituted amino group at the 8-position or a 1-hydroxy-3,6-disulphonaphth-2-ylene group carrying an optionally substituted amino group at the 7-position.

12. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein the pKa of the -NH- group is from 8 to 3.
13. (Previously presented) A composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 and a liquid medium.
14. (Original) A composition according to claim 13 which is an ink or liquid dye concentrate.
15. (Original) A process for forming an image on a substrate comprising applying an ink according to claim 14 thereto by means of an ink jet printer.
16. (Previously presented) A paper, an overhead projector slide or a textile material printed with an ink according to claim 14.
17. (Original) An ink jet printer cartridge comprising a chamber and an ink wherein the ink is in the chamber and the ink is according to claim 14.
18. (Currently amended) A method for the colouration of a substrate which comprises treating the substrate with a compound according to claim 1.
19. (Currently amended) A paper, an overhead projector slide or a textile material printed with an ink of comprising a compound according to claim 1.
20. (Previously presented) A paper, an overhead projector slide or a textile material printed by means of a process according to claim 15.

21. (New) A compound according to claim 1 wherein:

- A is optionally substituted C₁₋₄-alkyl or optionally substituted phenyl;
- B is optionally substituted phenylene;
- D is optionally substituted 1,4-phenylene or naphthylene; and
- E is naphthylene carrying one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, sulpho and carboxy.